

Remarks:

Claims 50–54 were previously pending with claim 50 being independent. Claims 52–54 are presently amended and no claims are cancelled, therefore claims 50–54 are currently pending with claim 50 being independent.

In the Office Action dated September 13, 2007, claims 50–54 were found to be allowable over the prior art of record. However, claims 52–54 were objected to on the ground that “the claimed steps are not sufficiently clear as to how they relate to the steps set forth in claim 50 from which they depend.”

Claims 52–54 have been amended to further clarify their relationship with claim 50. For example, each element of claim 52 now recites “said held segment,” thus clearly referring to the “held segment” recited in claim 50. Furthermore, claim 52 recites “. . . to effect said accurate adjustment of said held segment at said processing station,” thus relating the steps set forth in claim 52 to the step of “accurately adjusting” recited in claim 50. Claim 53 recites “wherein said accurately adjusting the position of the held segment of the web at said processing station . . .”, thus modifying the step of “accurately adjusting” as set forth in claim 50. Finally, claim 54 recites “. . . during accurate adjustment of the position of the held segment of the web at said processing station,” clearly relating to the step of “accurately adjusting”

For at least the reasons set forth above, applicant respectfully submits that claims 50–54 are now in allowable condition and requests a Notice of Allowance.

In the event of further questions, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this amendment should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

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